

REMARKS AND CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully disagree with the rejection of the pending claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Benish *et al.* (U.S. Pat. No. 6,504,914 and U.S. Pat. Appl. No. 2004/0077663) in view of Hanke *et al.* (*J. Biol. Chem.* **271**(2), 695-701, 1996).


Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and request favorable action thereon.

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